

**PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AND ACCESS TASK FORCE
MEETING #17 – MEETING MINUTES**

Date: Wednesday, August 5, 2015

Time: 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Location: Basement Conference Room – Larcom City Hall

Attendees:

Task Force Members Present, 6; Scott Campbell; Linda Diane Feldt; Owen Jansson;
Anthony Pinnell ; Sarah Pressprich Gryniewicz; Jim Rees;

Task Force Members Absent, 2: Neal Elyakin; Kenneth Clark;

Public Present, 4: Kathy Griswold; Seth Peterson; Larry Deck; Linda Evans; refer to
Attachment B for sign-in sheet

City Staff Present, 1: Connie Pulcifer

Consultant Present (The Greenway Collaborative), 2: Norman Cox and Carolyn
Prudhomme

Re: Pedestrian Safety and Access Task Force Meeting

Meeting minutes were not recorded; meeting summary follows.

[Secretary note: for all of these meetings there will be two records of the meeting. These minutes are a record of official actions taken and public commentary. Ann Arbor City staff and/or the consultant on this project, the Greenway Collaborative, will produce a second record of the discussion points of the meeting, with more detail. Both of these records will be available on the Pedestrian Safety and Access Task Force Google Drive repository, available through the City of Ann Arbor website at www.a2gov.org/departments/systems-planning/Transportation/Pages/Pedestrian-Safety-and-Access-Task-Force.aspx]

Attachment B: Discussion Summary

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AND ACCESS TASK FORCE MEETING #17- DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Note: This is not a direct transcription of the meeting discussion. The following summary has been developed from notes taken during the meeting; comments are paraphrased. Where staff and consultants provided information and responses they are shown in italics.

- Approval of Agenda:
 - Unanimous approval.
- Approval of Meeting # 16 Minutes and Discussion Summary:
 - Unanimous approval.
- Public Engagement Appendix Addition
 - **Moved by J. Rees; Seconded by A.Pinnell: Move to include the Public Engagement document drafted by City Staff in the appendix.**

Motion Approved Unanimously

- New Recommendations, Enforcement Reorganization and Prioritization
 - **Moved by S.Pressprich Gryniewicz; Seconded by A.Pinnell: Move to expedite the consideration of the items to be incorporated into the final draft recommendations to be shared with the public in July a formal motion, second and vote will not be utilized for each item. After discussion of each item and the incorporation of proposed revisions, a show of hands will be used to approve the draft language as recorded in the PSATF Draft Recommendations to City Council Document (updated 7/28/15).**

Motion Approved Unanimously

- *Please refer to [Pedestrian Safety and Access Task Force recommendations for City Council, Draft, August 7](#), for an overview of recommendations that were approved for inclusion in the Final Draft Recommendations.*
- Definitions for the following items will be added to the glossary:
 - Roadway
 - Arterial Road
 - Collector Road
 - Local Road
 - Clarify that beacons are not included under signalized crosswalks
- Next Steps:
 - *City Staff will provide the final draft of the Recommendations for City Council to the Task Force on August 19th. The final recommendations will be approved at the August 26th meeting.*

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- **Public Comments:**
 - Kathy Griswold – The City has stopped enforcing the vegetation ordinance. There is overgrown vegetation blocking visibility at the intersection of Revena/Huron/Jackson. This is against AASHTO and best practices. City has also been installing street signs too close to the corner, blocking visibility.
 - Larry Deck – Would have liked to see more on crosswalk design guidelines recommendations to help guide staff. A mechanism is needed for neighborhoods to help fund sidewalks. The 25 mph speed limit is nice but might not be feasible. Going to be hard to enforce recommendations surrounding distracted driving and hands-free devices. What happens to these recommendations going forward?
 - Seth Peterson – Glad to see recommendation making it mandatory for crossing islands to be required on roads with three lanes or more. There was an example of a radar sign in Texas that instead of showing the speed the cars were traveling it would flash “Slow Down” when traffic was going over the speed limit. Part of the bicycle recommendations should include bicycles accessing bike parking from the street so they are not in conflict with pedestrians on the sidewalk.
 - Linda Evens – Looking into ADA wording on whether it is a federal mandate for the City to be responsible for snow removal in the right-of-way, including sidewalks. When it comes to ice and snow removal ordinance changes, we need to recommend the best case scenario.

Attachment B: Sign-in Sheet



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SIGN-IN SHEET - PEDESTRIAN SAFETY & ACCESS TASK FORCE

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Attachment C: Approved Agenda



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Chair: Linda Diane Feldt

Secretary: Ken Clark

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| 1. Introductions | 5:00 – 5:05 pm |
| 2. Approval of Agenda | 5:05 – 5:10 pm |
| 3. Public Commentary (3 minutes/speaker, limit three speakers) | 5:10 – 5:20 pm |
| 4. Approval of Meeting #16 Minutes and Discussion Summary | 5:20 – 5:25 pm |
| 5. A2 Open City Hall Feedback Opportunity & Community Wide Meeting | 5:25 – 5:35 pm |
| 6. Draft Introduction Letter from the Chair | 5:35 – 5:40 pm |
| 7. Public Engagement Appendix Addition | 5:40 – 5:45 pm |
| 8. New Recommendations | 5:45 – 6:15 pm |
| 9. Enforcement Reorganization | 6:15 – 6:20 pm |
| 10. Prioritization | 6:20 – 6:45 pm |
| 11. Next Steps | 6:45 – 6:50 pm |
| a) August 17 th Task Force Planning Meeting for September 14 Work Session | |
| b) August 26 th Task Force Meeting – Approve Final Recommendations Report | |
| 12. September 14 th City Council Work Session | 6:50 – 7:00 pm |
| 13. Public Commentary (3 minutes/speaker) | |

The meeting time was extended to 7:30pm to address item #10